

DECISION MEMORANDUM

TO: COMMISSIONER KEMPTON
COMMISSIONER SMITH
COMMISSIONER REDFORD
COMMISSION SECRETARY
COMMISSION STAFF
LEGAL

FROM: SCOTT WOODBURY
DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

DATE: JUNE 4, 2009

SUBJECT: CASE NO. AVU-E-09-04 (Avista)
MOTION FOR LIMITED ADMISSION AND
TO EXCUSE LOCAL COUNSEL

On June 4, 2009, Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities caused to be filed with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (Commission) a Motion for the Limited Admission of Michael G. Andrea, Esq. in Case No. AVU-E-09-04 (reference Idaho Bar Commission Rule 222; IPUC Rules of Procedure 19 and 43.05). The local Idaho counsel filing the Motion is Joseph N. Pirtle, Elam & Burke, P.A., 251 East Front Street, Suite 300, PO Box 1539, Boise, Idaho 83701.

Michael G. Andrea certifies that he is an active member in good standing with the Bar of the States of Washington and Oregon and that he maintains a regular practice of law at Avista Corporation, 1411 East Mission Avenue, MSC-23, Spokane, Washington 99202. Mr. Andrea further certifies that he is not a resident of the State of Idaho or licensed to practice in Idaho and that he has not previously sought admission under IBCR 222.

Both Mr. Andrea and local counsel, Joseph N. Pirtle, certify that a copy of the Motion, accompanied by a \$200 fee, has been provided to the Idaho State Bar.

Mr. Pirtle acknowledges that as local counsel, his attendance shall be required at all proceedings before the Commission in which Mr. Andrea appears, unless specifically excused by the Commission. In this regard, Mr. Pirtle respectfully requests that the Commission excuse him from having to appear during Commission proceedings in Case No. AVU-E-09-04.

COMMISSION DECISION

A Motion for Limited Admission Pro Hac Vice has been filed with the Commission in Avista Case No. AVU-E-09-04, by local counsel, Joseph N. Pirtle, on behalf of Michael G. Andrea. Staff counsel recommends that the filed Motion be granted. Does the Commission without further procedure or notice find it reasonable to grant the Motion authorizing Michael G. Andrea to represent Avista Corporation in Case No. AVU-E-09-04 and to excuse the attendance of the sponsoring attorney, Joseph N. Pirtle?

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Woodbury", written over a horizontal line.

Scott Woodbury
Deputy Attorney General

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